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THE EMS

*Dedicated  
to  
Mr. Ray Lesh*



Mr. Lesh, better known to all of us as Ray, has been here working as janitor since he graduated in 1938. His faithfulness in his efforts to make things more pleasant at Rockcreek go far beyond his duties. Ray is always in the hall to greet classes passing and to exchange jokes and comments on ballgames or studies. His understanding has carried many of us through almost impossible days. As a small token of gratitude we wish to dedicate this book to you.

This year was basically the same as any other year; we studied, had fun, experienced sad moments of trial and error. There were games and dances; voices were hoarse from pep club rooting, and singing. There were brief moments of glory for some of us in sports, musical and dramatic productions. All shared the hopeless reality of examinations and deadlines, the semester grades, the noontime cafeteria rush. These impressions are only a few that were packed into this full year.

It is not today that you will appreciate the GEMS. Tomorrow, when it is not so easy to think back on 1963, we will treasure the memories this book has stored for us.

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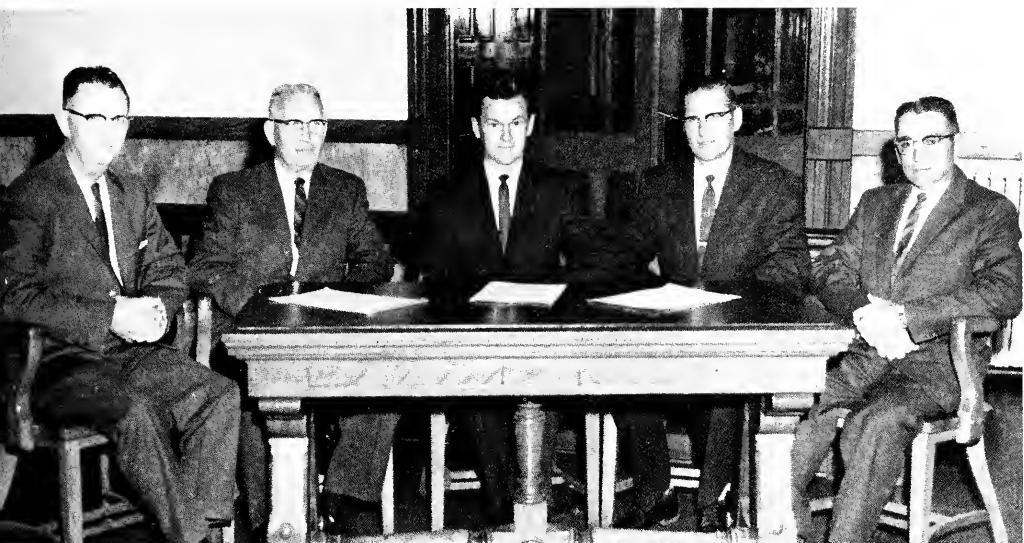


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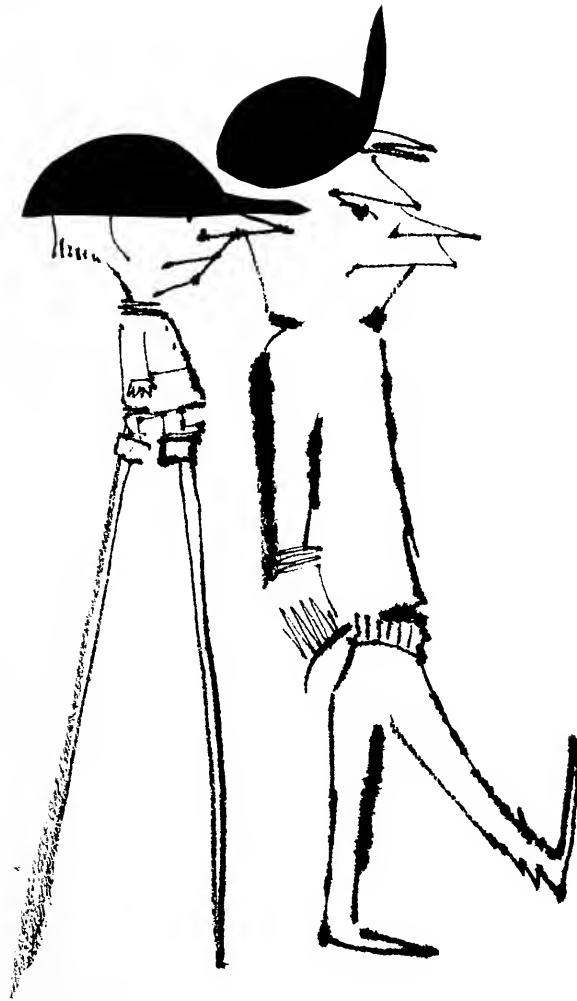


Mrs. Don Dickie, Mrs. Lewis McAfee, and Mrs. Grover Redding. Mrs. Charles Fuhrer was not present when this picture was taken.



Mrs. Don Eyer

Special thanks is due the cooks and the secretary. We seldom thank these women for the large and small jobs they perform daily for the students and faculty; again we say "thanks."



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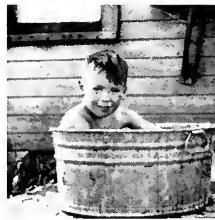
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Cathy Boots  
David Cook  
Noel Crismore



David Day  
Janice Faus  
David Geisman  
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Blaine Imel



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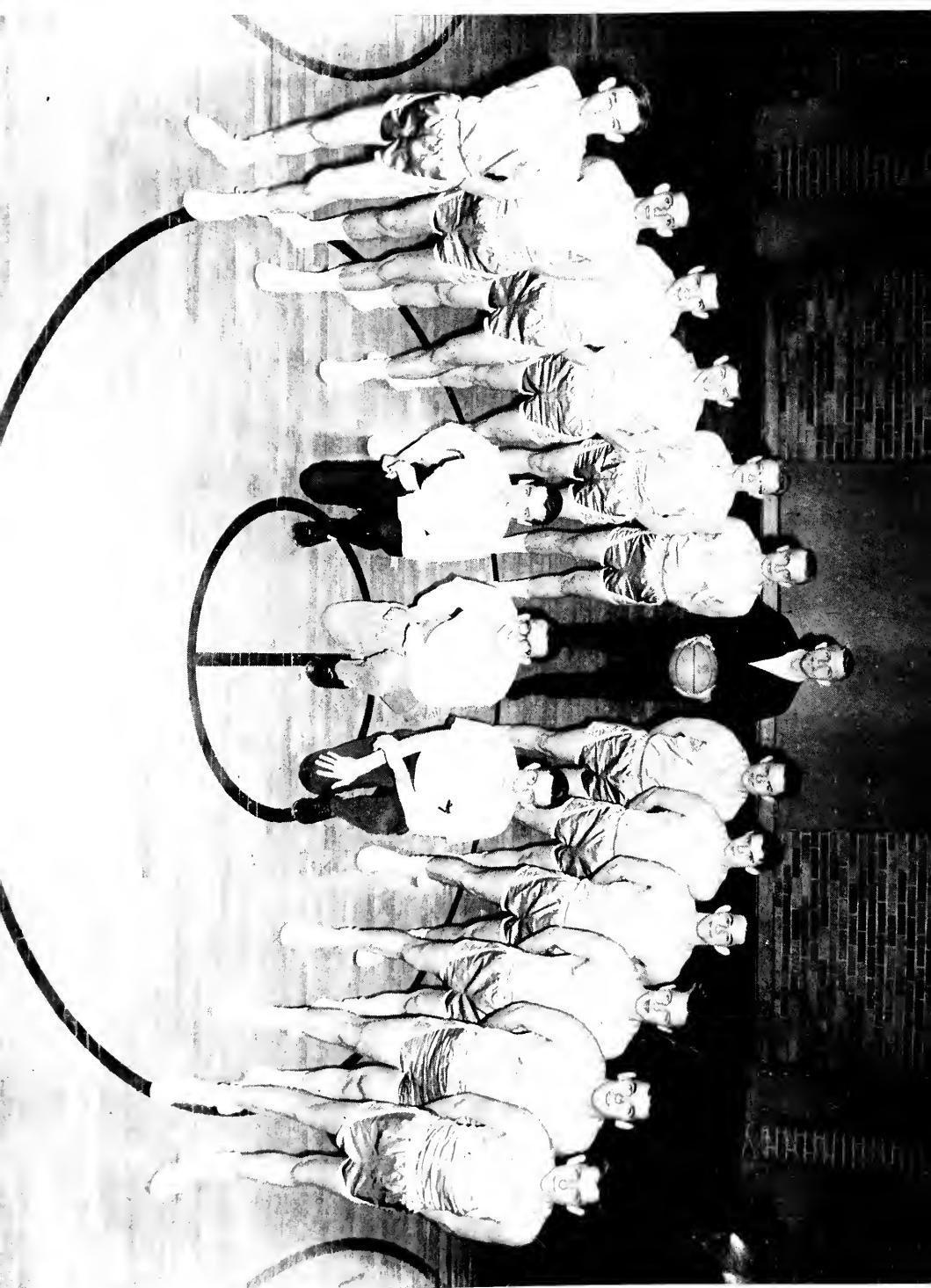
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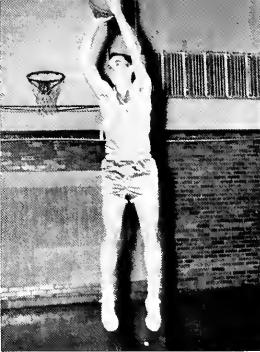


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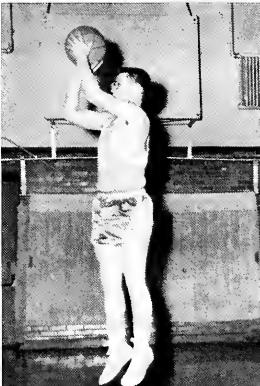


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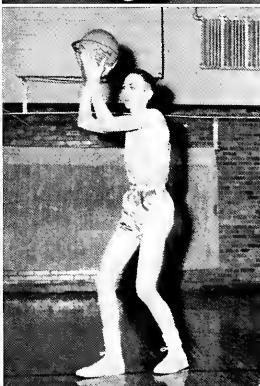
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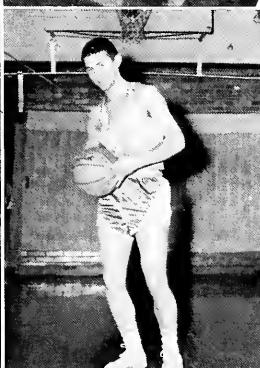
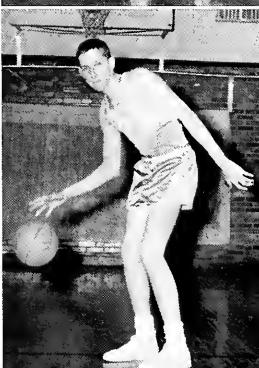
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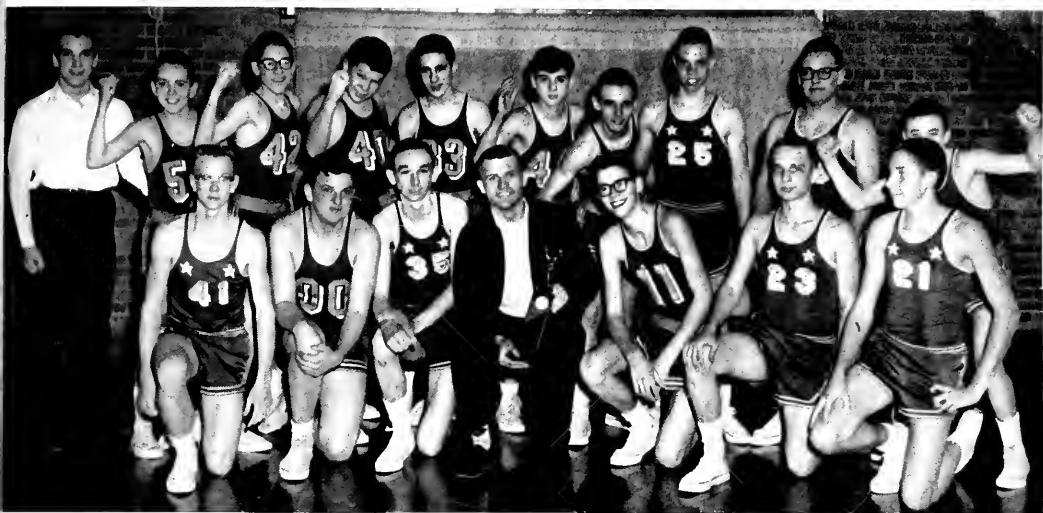
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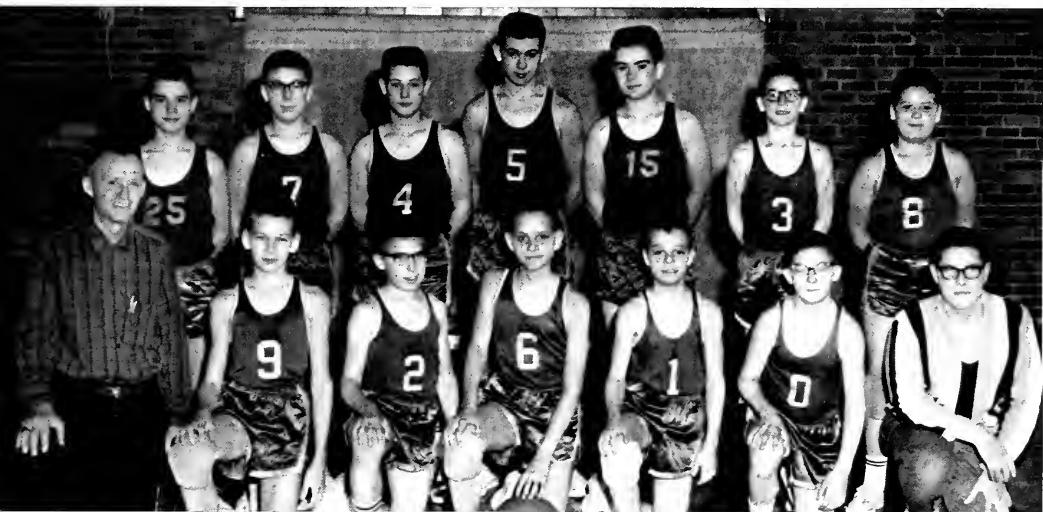


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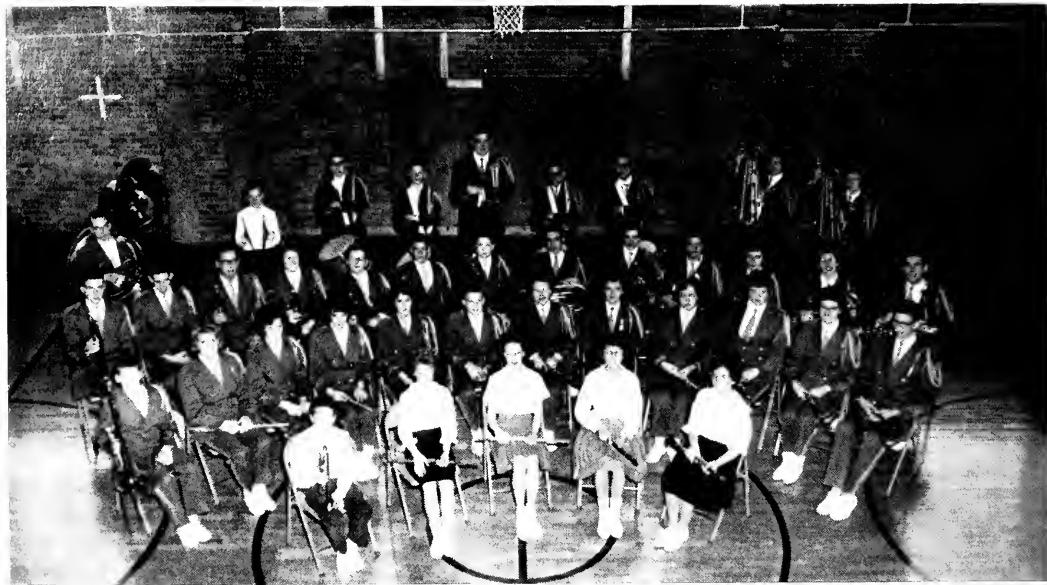
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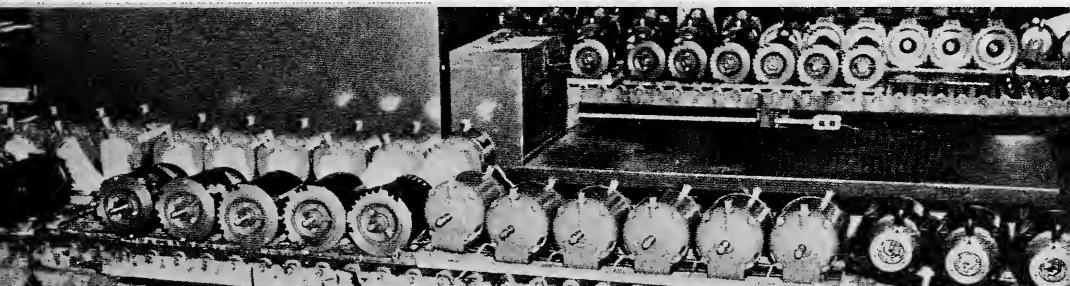
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